Abstract

The present invention relates to a method and system for proxying or relaying a
message to an application server, wherein a processing information indicating at
least one allowable operating mode for processing said message is forwarded to-
wards an application server (10, 40, 60). The message is then processed based
on a selected one of the at least one allowable operating mode. The forwarding
step may be performed by adding a header field to the message or by performing
a mode negotiation function. Thereby, the application server (10, 40, 60) can be
informed of acceptable alternative ways of handling incoming requests and a
proxy network element (20) may continue a pre-established chain of application
servers without the risk that the call or session may be terminated at the applica-
tion server (10, 40, 60).

[Fig. 3]